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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
MOHRI, NAOTAKE, et al.

Docket No: Q64554

Appln. No.: 09/872,421

Group Art Unit: 1762

Confirmation No.: 8462

Examiner: Marianne L. Padgett

Filed: May 31, 2001

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DISCHARGING SURFACE TREATMENT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of April 15, 2003 to August 15, 2003.

A check for the statutory fee of \$110.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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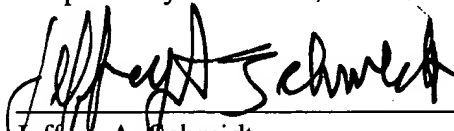
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